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Terms Upon Which the Manauense Company Will Establish Proposed New Service.

Free Wharfage, No Taxation and a Guarantee on the Company's Bonds.

Mail Subsidy Would Be Taken From the Steamers That Call at Victoria.

At a meeting of the merchants of Vancouver, held at the board of trade rooms, to discuss with the owners of the steamship Manauense the question of establishing a permanent line between Vancouver and San Francisco, and also a line to northern ports, Mr. Frank Richards, on behalf of the Manauense owners, gave an address, going into detail to show the possibilities of the trade, and then stated the company's request, as follows:

"We do not ask the people of Vancouver to put their hands in their pockets for a single cent. We ask for free wharfage at a city wharf when made, or we will make the wharf for the city, freedom from taxation for 30 years; free water supply, and a guarantee, which really does not affect the city financially; a guarantee of 3 per cent. on debenture stock to the extent of one-fifth only of our capital for 10 years, and in exchange for this we propose to give the city absolute security by making the mail subsidy to the city. This matter is really in the hands of the city itself. If the citizens support us, as they undoubtedly will, their own countrymen, in a direct and punctual, well-equipped line of steamers, then there will be a dividend paid on the capital invested."

"This guarantee is a sine qua non, and surely the Dominion government will give their own countrymen the preference in regard to the mail subsidy. The question will assuredly be asked as to the amount of capital we propose to embark. In the first instance we are asking for one and a half million dollars, but we only want a guarantee on a debenture stock of \$250,000. The city's annual liability would be about \$7,500 for 20 years, and we think the whole of this amount can be covered by a mail subsidy."

"We are thus brought to the root of the whole question. You are at present fostering foreign competition, and we must bear this governing truth in mind. Once set a line going, and the influence of commerce well-equipped line to Northern ports and build lake and river boats to carry your freight through to Dawson City, and as further developments permit, to establish other lines. You have already a guarantee of our good faith. We brought the Manauense to Vancouver, and we made it our home port. We have fitted out in your city. We have made direct voyages from your city, and we have every confidence in asking for your united and valuable support."

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NO DESPATCHES.

The High Wind of Last Evening Prostrated All the Telegraph Lines.

For the first time in many months the city was last night cut off telegraphically from the mainland, the C. P. R. and Great Northwestern wires all having been prostrated by the gale. This accounts for the lack of the night despatches in this morning's paper, 5:45 p.m. being the time of the last message received.

SAILOR BOYS' FUNERAL.

Winnipeg Soldiers and Citizens Paid Fitting Honors to Train-Wreck Victims.

Winnipeg, Nov. 2.—(Special)—The funeral of the two unfortunate sailor lads whose career was brought to such a sad ending in the railway accident on Monday morning, took place this afternoon with full military honors. The occasion was an unusually sad one, as the sailors were strangers in a distant land. Yet everything possible was done, and the boys were laid to rest by the Royal Canadian Dragoons with all the pomp and circumstance with which they bury their own comrades. Large crowds witnessed the funeral procession, and handsome floral wreaths covered the coffins.

DOMINION NEWS NOTES

Waterworks Officials at Ottawa "Knocking Down" Taxes—The Quebec Liberals' Idol.

Life Insurance Directors Clamor for a Dividend—No Prospect for General Election.

LEAK IN WATERWORKS OFFICE.
Ottawa, Nov. 2.—Ald. Campbell, chairman of the Ottawa waterworks committee, last night admitted when questioned by Ald. Morris that the practice of giving receipts to citizens for payment of water rates and not making a return of the moneys paid in was prevalent amongst the officials of the department. This startling disclosure was made to Ald. Campbell by G. O. Mann, a dismissed official awaiting trial for misappropriation of the city funds. A thorough investigation of the waterworks and other departments will be made.

ONTARIO ELECTIONS.
North Essex, Nov. 1.—The protest against W. J. McKee, Liberal, was dismissed this afternoon at Osgoode Hall. Colborne, Nov. 1.—The East Northumberland election protest trial is not yet concluded. It will likely be over this afternoon and the suit voided, some of the charges of corruption having been maintained, though the judges concluded to hear evidence on the others. Fergus, Nov. 2.—The official majority for Col. Gibson in East Wellington is 508.

LONDON STREET RAILWAY.
London, Nov. 2.—President Everett has refused to concede the modified demands of the street railway men. The men met again this morning, and decided to make a further slight concession and sent an ultimatum to the company. If the company refuses, the strike will continue. The company was forced to run cars in a few days at the outside, and there is the gravest apprehension as to the results.

INSURANCE DIVIDENDS.

Toronto, Nov. 1.—There was a heated meeting of the directors of the Excelsior Life Assurance Co., of which E. F. Clarke, M.P., is managing director. No dividend has been paid since the organization of the company six years ago, Mr. Clarke being manager all the time. A resolution was passed practically censuring Mr. Clarke for not acting up to his agreement with the company, and Mr. Clarke put in his resignation. This will be considered at a special meeting of the directors next week.

A LIBERAL IDOL.
Montreal, Nov. 2.—That the memory of Honore Mercier, ex-Premier of Quebec, is still green in the hearts of many of his French-Canadian countrymen was shown by the thousands of people who visited his grave yesterday. It is just four years to-day since Mr. Mercier passed away, and it is becoming the custom for the French-Canadian Liberal clubs to decorate the grave. Hitherto the ceremony has been attended by a speech, but this year Archbishop Bruchesi declined to allow any political speeches to be made in the cemetery, and the Liberals had therefore to content themselves with decorating the tomb of their idol. Several thousand members of the French National and proceeded to the cemetery, where they deposited their offerings on the tomb. All the Liberal clubs sent either natural or metallic flowers.

A BOY SHOT.

Kingston, Nov. 2.—Morris Grimshaw, aged 19, son of Henry Grimshaw, a hotel-keeper, was killed in the accidental discharge of a gun.

TO REGULATE RUSSIA.

Activity on the China Station Succeeding the Lull in Fashoda Excitement.

Steps to Administer a Check to Russian Aggressions in Chinese Territory.

The Threatened Complications with France Have Made Bolder Another Rival.

By Associated Press.
London, Nov. 3.—A semi-official note issued this evening relates to the reports of a settlement of the Fashoda question. It says: "The matter is substantially in the same position as when the blue book and yellow book were published. It is not anticipated that France will take further steps until Major Marchand's arrival at Cairo on Thursday, when explanations will be forthcoming as to his reason for leaving Fashoda."

A Frenchman has been arrested at Dover for attempting to enter the big gun turret on the admiralty pier.

ACTIVITY ON CHINA STATION.

Wei-Hai-Wei, Nov. 2.—All the British warships here—the first-class battleship Centurion, first-class cruiser Narcissus, second-class cruiser Hermione, torpedo-boat destroyer Fame, torpedo-boat destroyer Handy, and first-class gunboat Peacock—have cleared for action, and are ready for sea in the event of any movement. The first-class battleship Victorious and the first-class cruiser Undaunted, at Chee Foo, not far from here, are coaling to their full capacity. The greatest secrecy is maintained as to the meaning of these warlike preparations, but there is no doubt important instructions are expected at any moment. A large Russian fleet is assembled at Port Arthur.

TO TACKLE RUSSIA.

London, Nov. 2.—The despatch from Wei-Hai-Wei announcing the naval preparations of the British naval authorities there is regarded here as being of grave importance, coupled with the Anglo-French war preparations. It is surmised that Russia, profiting by the present strained relations between Great Britain and France, has decided to push forward her aims in the Far East by forcibly seizing the valuable treaty port of Newchwang, which Great Britain cannot permit it to be.

A despatch from London to the Associated Press on October 20 said a cable message had been received there from Shanghai announcing the occupation of Newchwang (also written Niu Chang) by Russian troops. The despatch was worded as follows: "A Russian regiment occupied the town of Niu Chang (province of Liao Tung) and the forts at the mouth of the river Liao on October 15, thus securing the complete possession of Newchwang. The native troops fled without making any opposition, under orders from the Empress Dowager and Li Hung Chang. A British gunboat was in the river at the time. Its non-resistance is regarded as the virtual British abandonment of the whole of Manchuria to the Russians, and gives Russia an invaluable strategic position. Great Britain is certain to lose the Newchwang trade, of which it has had 80 per cent."

THE PROHIBITION PROBLEM.

Mr. Foster on the Peculiar Position in Which the Plebiscite Places the Government.

Montreal, Nov. 2.—Hon. George Foster, minister of finance, during the strong prohibitionist campaign in an interview in the Witness strongly criticizes the government for its action on the prohibition question. In reply to the question whether, with a clear majority given by seven provinces, any government would be justified in permitting an addition in a single province to prevent the will of the seven provinces being carried out, Mr. Foster said: "Well, in order to do so, the constitution of the country would have to be radically altered. There would be one of two alternatives. Either the government must claim to regard the majority as insufficient, or must take the position that the attitude of one of the provinces shall prevent legislation for the whole country—a position which, of course, from a constitutional point of view, is quite untenable."

"That depends upon antecedent circumstances—depends upon the conditions laid down before the vote was taken. In such a case there was no prohibition. I fully understand it is idle to pass a prohibitive measure unless you have preponderating public opinion in its favor. The question is a grave one. Clearly the temperance people of the country have been put in a hole by the action of the government. The temperance people were made to fire with blank cartridges."

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Capital two-story house, with garden, near the fountain.
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Cariboo of Camp McKinney.....Wanted
Athabasca.....35
Monte Christo.....13
Carnes' Creek Consolidated.....10
Dardanelles.....07 1/2
Deer Park.....19
Gopher.....04
Monte Christo.....04
Good Hope.....02 1/2
Homestake (assessment paid).....02 1/2
Nelson-Poorman.....20
Iron Colt.....09
Silver Bell.....17
Noble Five.....02 1/2
Virginia.....48
Iron Horse.....10 1/2
Quotations for other stocks to be had on application at our office. List your stocks with us, as we are in daily communication by wire with Toronto, Montreal, Spokane, Rossland and other outside cities.

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\$5,000 at 6 per cent, on good Victoria real estate security.

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On Michigan street (60x240).....1,200
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Two lots at Beacon Hill.....450
Lots in all parts of the city.

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On Kane street (6 rooms).....\$17.00
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" Boyd street (6 rooms).....18.00
Off Fairfield road (5 rooms).....5.00
On Front st., Victoria West (6 rms.).....5.00
" Green street (4 rooms).....5.00
" Labouchere street (6 rooms).....8.00
" North rd., Spring Ridge (6 rms.).....6.00
" Russell street, Victoria West.....6.00
" Sayward av., Spring Ridge (5 rms.).....5.00
" Vining street (5 rooms).....4.00
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Auction Sale

Advertised for to-day
IS POSTPONED
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Until Tuesday next, Nov. 8th

At 2 p.m.,
When I shall sell the contents of a
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Athabasca.....37 1/2
Iron Horse.....10 1/2
Dardanelles.....07 1/2
Gopher.....04
Cariboo Camp McKinney.....Wanted
Iron Colt.....09
Monte Christo.....13
Try Athabasca.....13

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We have for sale the most desirable farm on Vancouver Island, about 150 acres, Cowichan District, 60 acres cleared, balance good stock run.
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I am instructed to sell in the Kirk block, Douglas street, next door to Johnston's book store, SIX FINE LARGE PLYS—CLASS BRISSELS CARPETS, NEARLY NEW, and Linum, Walnut and Oak Bed-room Suites, Spring Mattresses, Hair Mattresses, Combination Oak Bureau, Writing and Book Case, Oil Paintings and Engravings, Assortment of Parlor Furniture, Walnut Sideboard, Dining Table, Chairs and Whatnot, a good Singer Sewing Machine, Sofa, Settees, Wicker Chairs, Card Table, Fancy Tables, Hall Rack, Fancy Upholstered Chairs, Bureaus, Ornaments, Bamboo Baskets, Fine Toned Gong, 30 vols. Chamber's Journal, bound in cloth; Croquet, Cooking Utensils, Wire Flower Stand, Mower, Garden Tools, Double Barrel Gun, by Parker; a Large Fire and Burglar Safe, etc., etc.

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MR. HOOLEY'S BENEFICENCE.

He Names Several Other Prominent People as Recipients—Promoter Fined for Contempt.

London, Nov. 2.—Martin Rucker, a former promoter of bicycle companies, who is charged with contempt of court in endeavouring to induce Ernest Terrah Hooley, the bankrupt promoter, to alter evidence which reflected upon a number of company directors, was fined £200 and costs to-day and further ordered to pay the money to-day or go to prison. Hooley declared that Rucker, in behalf of four directors of the Hooley company, offered him £5,000 to change some of his evidence presented in the bankruptcy proceedings.

The examination of Mr. Hooley in the bankruptcy proceedings was resumed to-day and attracted much attention. Hooley continued to testify to the amounts, large and small, paid to trustees and directors in connection with his promotions. He created a sensation by asserting that he paid Sir William Harriette £1,444 for introducing him to the Carlton Club and asserting later that he paid £10,000 to the Marquis of Abernethy, £5,000 first and then a second £5,000 because he was told that he had promised £10,000; "but," the witness interjected, "that was a lie."

Continuing, Mr. Hooley said that he had paid £10,000 to Mr. Frank Morris, square it named Blake, who threatened to publish something antagonistic to the companies.

Witness also said he did not know Blake, nor did he know what the black-mail was for. Witness then said that Mr. Harry Marks, editor of the Daily Mail, and a member of parliament in the Conservative interest for the St. George's east division of Tower Hamlets, induced him to invest £22,000 in purchasing the London Sun. Mr. Hooley asserted that he never received a penny from this investment.

Answering further questions Mr. Hooley testified that he paid £200 to C. D. Ross, of the Daily Mail. The witness explained that he could not allow those the shares he wanted and so he gave him money instead. The examination was adjourned until Monday.

DREADFULLY NERVOUS.

Gents: I was dreadfully nervous, and for relief I took your Karl's Clover Root Tea. It quieted my nerves and strengthened my whole nervous system. I was troubled with Constipation, Kidney and Bowel trouble. Your Tea soon cleansed my system so thoroughly that I rapidly regained health and strength. Mrs. S. A. Sweet, Hartford, Conn. Sold by Cyrus H. Bowes.

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PERSONAL.

Dr. R. E. McKechnie, of Nanaimo, is in the city. Dr. W. Nuttall returned from the Sound yesterday. C. H. Dickie, of Duncan, is a guest at the Victoria. J. S. Salter, of Dawson, is again a guest at the Victoria. Captain D. Gilmore, of Seattle, is a guest at the Oriental. R. E. Gossnell spent yesterday in Vancouver, returning home last night. Robert Jamieson and Alex. McDermott were passengers from Vancouver last evening. Major Shaw Wood, who has been visiting in the city for some time, left for the East yesterday. Judge Bole came over from the Mainland last evening. F. H. Worlock and Mrs. Worlock were passengers by the Islander from Vancouver yesterday. R. S. Byrn, of Turner, Beeton & Co., returned last evening from a visit to the Lower Mainland. W. F. Bullen, member-elect for Esquimalt, returned from the Esquimalt. Bullen returned last evening from the Esquimalt. Mr. A. Evans, deputy United States Immigration agent, came over from Vancouver last evening and is at the Victoria. Thomas Tompkins, who is superintending the construction of the new depot at Vancouver for the C.P.R., is at the Driford.

THE LOCAL NEWS.

A. B. Hearn, manager of the Imperial Bank at Revelstoke, has visited Nelson with the object of opening a branch of the bank there, to occupy temporary premises in the store vacated by S. McFarlands.

Bound South.—The members of the Bennett-Hagmann company, arrived from Vancouver last evening and left this morning for the Sound. They decided not to play a return engagement in Victoria.

Customs Returns.—Collections to the amount of \$55,828.85, of which \$58,127.52 was duty, were taken at the Victoria customs house during the month of October. The exports were \$47,187.18 of Canadian produce and \$49,530.00 other than Canadian, making a total of \$520,717.

Arrested Two Deserters.—Provincial Constable Ireland received information last night that a man answering the description of Dan Sullivan, wanted for committing an aggravated assault on L. S. Overstreet, was on board the steamer Islander bound for Vancouver. The officer, accompanied by Constables Redgrave and Anderson, went down to the steamer, but instead of finding Sullivan they found two deserters from H.M.S. Leander, both in plain clothes.

CLARA MATHES COMPANY.

"From the Country" Played to an Appreciative House.

The performance of "From the Country" at the A.O.U.W. hall last night was one of the brightest and most creditable of the season. The story is a most delectable told through the most interesting and varied characters differing from the usual type. Mr. Chapman as Dave Hardy made an even more favorable impression than usual. Mr. Tucker was an amusing Estabrook; Mr. Dudley gave a good performance of a lovable character; and Mr. Jack was good in make-up and acting. Miss Mathes gave an excellent performance, the contrast between the reserved and the heartily encoiled, and Prof. Miller made a more decided impression than usual with his remarkable performance of hypnotism. There is no performance to-night, but on Friday a new version of "East Lynne" will be presented. "The Boy" and the matinee bill, and on Saturday evening there will be a continuous performance until 12 o'clock. Two three-act comedies will be presented, and numerous sketches, including Prof. Miller in his most remarkable and amusing hypnotic tests.

PECULIAR AND PERTINENT.

There are hundreds of millionaires in Russia whose fortunes are in the shape of vast domains containing gold and silver of incalculable value, but which have never been developed. The Japanese language is said to contain 60,000 words. It is quite impossible for one man to learn the entire language, and a well educated Japanese is familiar with only about 10,000 words. The aboriginal population of Australia is dying out rapidly that it has been proposed to establish reservations where the remnants can be instructed in agricultural labor and cared for. A rhetorical reporter of the Topika Capital wrote of the victim of an accident that "as he lay groaning in his unconsciousness the rats crept out of their holes and, emboldened by his silence, came closer until one dared to bite his hand."

ARMIES OF FIGHTERS AND TAX-EATERS.

The American pension roll continues to swell. The value of the pension for the civil war is amazing, and other relatives increase and multiply. Last year's pension bill was \$145,000,000, and this year's will be more. The consideration of pensioners reports that there are still 200,000 survivors of the civil war, who have not yet applied for pensions, and claims are pouring in from soldiers who took part in the war with Spain. It is a serious drain on the country's funds, and the annual cost of American pensioners, for instance, with European armies:

Italian army \$1,500,000
Austrian army 1,500,000
British army 18,000,000
French army 25,000,000
German army 20,000,000
American army 20,000,000

This colossal sum will grow, too. There are still five surviving widows of soldiers who fought in the revolution, which shows that the pensioners are a healthy race, while of more modern claims there are still several hundred thousand which await consideration. The explanation, of course, is simple; it is that every succeeding government has treated the pension fund as a convenient reservoir for the use of its supporters.—London News.

THOSE TERRIBLE NERVOUS HEADACHES.

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THE ROSS-SHIRE BLUFFS.

One of the chief features of the evening was a speech by Mr. W. Gordon Ross, advocating the despatch of a cable to Lord Salisbury, stating that Vancouver stood ready to send 1,000 Scotch volunteers to support their Queen, country and honor, should they be needed. The idea was greeted with much enthusiasm, and, no doubt, the cable was despatched in due course.—Vide report of Hallowe'en meeting of the Vancouver Scottish societies.

The Khalifa's frenzied army had met its awful doom. Still the smell of bloody war was in the air. For the French were in Fashoda and the British in Khartoum. And neither thought the other should be there. There was something in England, there were yells in haughty France; as the gingerbread of friendship lost its gloss. And ambitious, eager soldiers watched, waiting for a chance. But they never thought of W. Gordon Ross.

"Twas Hallowe'en in Canada, the Scots had gathered strong. They smoke of dear old Scotia grand and free. They told full many a story and sang full many a song. And incidentally downed the "barley bree."

Then up rose W. Gordon, and, mon, he talkt fine. Say he: "My lads, it's 'Scots wha hae,' ye're a' gird on your trusty claymores and shout it up the line. Turn out! Turn out! A thousand Scotchmen!"

"Twas early in the morning when the wire reached London town, 'There's a thousand men from Vancouver on the way.' And the good news from Lord Wolsey's face cleared off the frown. Which had rested there for many a weary day. 'Twas early in the morning when the wire reached gay Paris. All the boulevards were plunged in deep for the army, scattered all ways and the navy put to sea. In hope of finding soon some secret lair.

Meanwhile, the thousand Scotsmen, with Colonel Ross ahead, All dressed up in plaid and tartan and in kilts, Marched all the way through Canada—Oh, wasn't it a spread!

And how Jack Dewar's blood was bravely spilt! There was never any fighting, France quit And the armies of the empire had no loss.

So inscribed on finest marble should be found the gallant speech Which was made that night by W. Gordon Ross. A. M. B. In Vancouver Province.

They make one feel as though life was worth living. Take one of Carter's Little Liver Pills after eating; it will relieve dyspepsia, give tone and vigor to the system.

WHEELING IN PORTLAND.

Special Permission to Use the Sidewalks During the Rainy Months.

Beginning to-day, bicyclists are at liberty to ride upon the sidewalks of Portland until April 1, subject, of course, to the ordinance which grants them the privilege of using the sidewalks during the rainy months. The desertion of the streets by wheelmen will probably hardly be noticed in any part of the city, for ever since the first rain fell few have plowed through Portland mud. Collisions between pedestrians and bicyclists would be avoided were the wheelmen to take the same pains to keep out of the path of the riders as they would to let another footman pass. Too often, though, they walk three and four abreast on a sidewalk and deliberately block the eyes of the pedestrians. Such cases sudden "pile-ups" are not the fault of the latter. On their part, wheelmen will be expected to keep within the speed limit of six miles per hour, and any violation will be punished.

The best way for pedestrians to escape collisions with bicyclists is that adopted by a well known citizen, whose business compels him to travel the streets a great deal at night. He gives this advice:

"Whenever you hear a bell behind you do not attempt to dodge the cyclist, but stand perfectly still, and let him dodge you. If you turn to the right or the left you may be run down, for the cyclist may take a notion to turn in the same direction. At night I meet many cyclists, and many pass me, but I have never had an accident, and people who allow my example will be able to make the same report."

The ordinance regulating sidewalk riding, passed by the council May 10, 1897, and approved by Mayor Penney on the following day, is as follows:

Sec. 33. That any person who shall drive, wheel, ride or draw upon the sidewalk within the city of Portland any horse-drawn or other vehicle, except hand carriages for children, or shall ride a bicycle upon any sidewalk, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof in the municipal court shall be fined not less than \$5 nor more than \$50; or shall be imprisoned not less than two days nor more than 15 days; provided, that it shall be lawful to ride bicycles, at a speed not to exceed six miles per hour, on the sidewalks of the city of Portland, during the months of November, December, January, February, March and April in each year.—Portland Oregonian.

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BOOK OF CATS.

No one is ever quite indifferent to cats, for there is something about a cat which makes you either like it or dislike it, according to your temperament. As Mrs. Chance says in the beginning of her book with a certain amount of exaggeration, you must either love or worship a cat, or else it is impossible to find in it a quality that is just a little bit suggestive of the serpent—its sleekness, for example; its noticeable movements, its little body, its watchfulness, and an underlying hint of secrecy and treachery. In those who very strongly feel these attributes in the cat there is excited at times an aversion so intense as to be almost a physical loathing such as that which possessed the First Napoleon, who would grow pale and shudder and even with terror whenever a cat approached too near him.

But, on the other hand, to the majority of persons the only trait which the cat appears to share in common with the serpent is the quality of fascination. To most of us cats are more than mere animals. One loves a dog, for instance, as one loves a friend of the same sex as one's self, with a sort of tranquil though deep affection; for the dog is a loyal, faithful, open-hearted creature, with no very complicated character, but one that is always frank and honest and true. When, on the other hand, one loves a cat, it is as though one loved a woman—a rather perverse and selfish, but most disarming, sort of woman, the sort of woman for whose sake anyone is delighted to do extremely foolish things. The analogies of the cat, indeed, are much more feminine than serpentine. Feminine is its grace, and feminine are its powers of coaxing and flattering. Feminine also are its apparent languor and its underling watchfulness, the importance which it attaches to small things, its exactions, its delicacy and its fickleness. A dog, like a man, may be mauled; but a cat must be stroked. Clearly the right way, the whims must be studied and its wishes must be anticipated. It wants the warmest corner and the nicest food, and for whatever is given it is sometimes grateful and sometimes not. Like a woman, also, the cat imparts to the place of its abode the domestic touch without which no home can be complete, and its mere presence gives a most profound and lasting sense of satisfaction.

It is for all these reasons and many more which it would be superfluous to detail, that any book which has to do with cats is bound to find its readers. In this volume of Mrs. Chance's claim is made to anything in the matter of treatment that is really new, for the author frankly states that she has drawn freely upon the well known work in French by Champeyrie and upon the cat mythology by Tomson, with many bits gathered here and there from Gautier and Pierre Loti. She has added, however, some fragments and some anecdotes from other sources, and has made a number of illustrations of various degrees of interest which give a special interest to the volume.

It is not our intention to repeat again the facts that she has carefully culled out from the existing literature of cats, which commences with the inscriptions upon the monuments erected by the ancient Egyptians who worshipped cats in the person of a cat goddess Pshut, and which ends in our day with the eulogiums bestowed by Anatole France upon his favorite black cat, an animal, by the way, which Mrs. Chance appears to have overlooked. She has given us, however, an interesting record of the most famous cat-lovers and also the former, besides the distinguished Frenchmen already mentioned; there is Chateaubriand, who found a peculiar charm in the independent, and, in a way, ungrateful character of the cat; and there is Dr. Johnson, of whom everyone remembers the most pleasing and most human, as well as extremely whimsical, touches recorded by Boswell, is found in something that happened once while he was petting Hodge. "The doctor observed easily that he had had cats that he liked better than he did Hodge; and then instantly, as if preceiving Hodge to be put out of countenance, he added 'But he is a very fine cat, a very fine cat indeed.' Johnson's contemporaries, Lord Chesterfield, left positions to all his cats, and Jeremy Bentham (who has been converted by a curious typographical error into two persons in Mrs. Chance's book), was as devoted to his cats as to the Diamond Necklace. Baudelaire loved to dwell upon the inscrutable and mystery of cats, and a few stanzas are given here of a good translation of one of his poems dealing with the mystic character of the animal.

Deep in my brain walks to and fro, As well as in his own domain, A handsome cat, a gentle strain; Scarce can I hear his mew so low.

His tender call wakes not alarm, But though he growl or softly sound, Still is his voice rich and profound—There lies his secret and his charm.

No other bow can ever bring From my heart's perfect instrument Such loyal notes of deep content Or waken its most vibrant string.

As can his voice, mysterious, pass, Seraphic cat, and mystic change, As a celestial, scolding change, As subtle as harmonious.

With growing wonderment I see The fire in thy pale pupils glow, Like watch-lights when the sun is low, Thy living opals gaze at me.

Among those who have hated cats or who have had a horror of them, Mrs. Chance mentions Boswell, who in this matter was entirely consistent with his loving hero; and she tells us that Lord Roberts, one of the most intrepid soldiers of England to-day, feels a great horror come over him in the presence of a cat. Just as she has quoted from Baudelaire a poem expressive of the feelings of the cat-lover, so she has quoted from Lord Roberts a metrical confession of antipathy:

"There lives not a man in the world so round Whose hatred of cats can be more profound; I hate their eyes and their manners so free, If I chance to meet them, away I flee; With limbs all a-tremble and quivering brain; Ne'er shall a cat enter my own domain."

We could wish that Mrs. Chance had said a little more about the domestication of cats by the Greeks and Romans. She passes over this matter in a few lines, and merely quotes a passage from Walpole, who has drawn an imaginary picture in his *Marquis*, the Epicurean, of a white cat placed upon a dinner table in the Greco-Roman period, and purring its way gracefully about among the wine cups. We are inclined to think that in this passage Mr. Peter is guilty of a serious error, for it is extremely doubtful whether the Greeks and Romans made a pet of the cat earlier than the fourth or fifth century. It is more likely that the world's first cat, when employed in classical literature, usually refers to a species of white-unstained marten, and that the place of the cat as a house animal was taken by a species of weasel (*Mustela*), while Horace, while telling the story of the country mouse and the city mouse, represents the banquet given by the latter to the former as having been interrupted by the entrance, not of a cat, but of huge dogs. The illustrations that are liberally sprinkled through the volume are occasional

such as might have been expected from a sympathetic cat lover; yet several of the animals depicted would seem to justify the aversion which many persons feel for every cat. In particular we must say that the bedraggled specimen delineated on page 47 should have been omitted altogether, since it is impossible to believe it to be any other than a cat of very low degree, and one that became the subject of this sketch only after it had been dead for several days and had been laid to rest in a contiguous ash-barrel.—New York Commercial Advertiser.



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THE FIRE BY-LAW.

It can hardly be necessary to say anything more than has been said already to show the importance of adopting the by-law providing for a loan of \$20,000, which is to be voted on to-day.

We remind the public that in the opinion of those, whose special business it is to investigate such matters, the proposed expenditures are absolutely necessary, if the city is to have adequate fire protection.

It has before now happened in Victoria that important by-laws have been defeated through the apathy of those who are in favor of them. We hope this will not be the case to-day, and that a full vote will be thrown. If it is, the result will be in the affirmative.

REPRESENTATION OF THE YUKON.

Next year there will be perhaps 50,000 people in the Yukon. There are many matters upon which it is desirable that their voice should be heard in parliament. We suggest therefore that the government shall introduce an act next session giving an additional representative to the Northwest Territories and creating a new constituency out of the Yukon. The act ought also to provide for an election under it next summer, in the event of there being no general election. No one thing which the government could do would give greater satisfaction to the miners than such a recognition as this. The act would of course have to provide special machinery for the preparation of a voters' list, but that would be a simple matter.

CITY TAXES.

If a taxpayer of Victoria pays his taxes before the first day of November, he is entitled to a reduction of one-sixth. This is an inducement to citizens to pay their taxes during October, but not to do so any earlier in the year.

Would it not be well to have the rebate arranged on a sliding scale? The months during which people are expected to pay their taxes are May, June, July, August, September and October—six in all. The rebate now is 16.66 per cent. on all paid before November 1st. Suppose this were changed and the maximum rebate were made 15 per cent., and were allowed to those who pay in May, and that the rebate be reduced on a sliding scale until November 1st. It would unquestionably secure the payment of taxes early in the year and keep the city in funds at all times, so that there would never be any occasion for overdrafts.

Another suggestion is that the city treasurer be required to accept taxes in instalments, where the amount is over a specified sum. This plan has been tried elsewhere with a great deal of satisfaction. It entails a little more work upon the treasurer, but not much, and it distributes his work throughout the year. An extra column on the tax roll enables the treasurer to keep track of the payments. The advantage of instalment payment is that it helps men who have to pay considerable taxes, but are not always able to raise the money when they need it, while they could much more readily pay one-half at a time, and thereby get the benefit of the rebate upon that portion of their liability. The first change above suggested would be rather more in favor of the wealthier taxpayers than any one else except the city; the last named would be in the interest almost altogether of those in moderate circumstances.

A CANADIAN MINT.

The President of the Canadian Bankers' Association has taken up the advocacy of a Canadian mint. He thinks it highly desirable that we should coin all the gold from the Yukon. It is hardly necessary to say that the people of British Columbia would be unanimously in favor of the establishment of a mint, for they have already given plenty of proof to that effect. The output of gold from the Yukon and British Columbia next year will be very large. The probability is that the amount will be so great that Canada will move up to the third place among producing countries. This being the case, it will be much to be regretted if none of this gold will be sent out in the form of a Canadian coin. We shall make no argument as to the business advantage of having a mint where miners could dispose of their gold for its full value. All this ground has been gone over time and time again. We do not know that the federal government is at all hostile to the idea of a mint, and believe the establishment of one is simply deferred for a time, but we think that the time has come for action and suggest that one of the first steps taken by parliament, when it meets, should be to authorize the government to erect a mint at some point on the Coast—we would naturally prefer Victoria—and have it in readiness by the time the spring clean-up comes out of the North. We notice that the Montreal Star is in favor of making some arrangement whereby the gold can be taken from the miners and Canadian coins be struck from it, and thinks the only objection that can be raised to the mint is on the

score of expense. We do not think that this ought to stand in the way. Canada can afford a mint. The indirect advantages would far outweigh the cost. Any other arrangement would call for a good deal of explanation, but every gold miner knows what a mint is.

FRANCE RETIRES.

France has retired from an untenable position. That country loses nothing by this line of action. On the contrary it gains something, for it will find the people of Great Britain ready to act fairly by their neighbor. Things have reached such a condition in Great Britain that public opinion now fully controls foreign policies. Whether or not Lord Salisbury actually said to the French ambassador that he could not disregard public opinion, there is not the slightest doubt that he could not. The people of Great Britain were determined to keep what they had won and to which they were fully entitled. Now that this point has been settled, there will be no disposition to drive a hard bargain with France. Not even his own countrymen accord more praise to Marchand for his gallant exploit than do the British people and the admiration they feel will do more than anything else to make them ready to concede anything in reason in recognition of it.

The assertion made a few days ago, that France would insist upon the reopening of the whole Egyptian question, may be dismissed as without foundation. This would be an inauspicious time for anything of that kind. If ever there has been a period since 1883 when it was essential that British control should continue in Egypt, it is now when new and very heavy responsibilities have been cast upon the khedival government by the reconquest of the Sudan. No French statesman would be so absurd as to suggest a renewal of the joint control. This would make France the laughing stock of Europe. The only other powers, which by any stretch of the imagination could be supposed to be willing to interfere in regard to Egypt, are Russia and Germany. The former has her hands full. If there is one thing that Russia needs now it is peace. We can well believe that the Czar and his ministers are very sincere in their desire for disarmament, because if Russia could get a guarantee that the peace of the Old World would not be broken for a quarter of a century, she could ask nothing better. No country in the world has vaster or more difficult problems to deal with. As to Germany, her interests do not lie in disturbing the position of Great Britain in Egypt or anywhere else. She aims at a policy of expansion, and to carry this out peace is essential.

Looking the whole situation over, we think the indications are very favorable to a prolonged peace, provided the United States and Spain succeed in arranging the open questions between them. The withdrawal of France from Fashoda is the most satisfactory step taken by any European government in a long time.

THE NEW HERALD ANGEL.

It was not to be expected that the Kaiser would go to Jerusalem without saying something very sensational and not a little grotesque, but not many people expected that he would attempt a reproduction of the scene when the herald angels sang to the watching shepherds. He was equal even to this. He has proclaimed "Peace on Earth," which will be an excellent thing. The Kaiser has changed his tune considerably in recent years. It is not so long ago that he never tired of telling the German people that he was their war-lord. The transposition to a nineteenth century prince of peace is striking, but will doubtless be wholesome. There can be no doubt as to the sincerity of his intentions. The evolution of this remarkable man's character is well worth studying. There are, however, not lacking in the incidents connected with the visit to Jerusalem indicating that his mind is trending towards a religious monomania. The danger is that, regarding himself as on a plane higher than all other men, he may be carried away by the religious fervor now evidently inspiring his conduct and utterances.

DUTY ON LEAD.

Mr. Hugh Sutherland, manager of the Evening Star and Columbia mines, near Slocan City, gave the Nelson Miner his views on the question of lead duties, and his observations are so interesting that we reproduce them elsewhere in full. Mr. Sutherland, it will be seen, proposes three remedies for the disadvantages under which Canadian mine-owners labor. One is the imposition of a tariff on lead that will practically be prohibitive of importations. The second is reciprocity on lead and its manufactures with the United States. The third is that the government shall make advances on lead and hold it for a market, in a manner similar to that in which the government handles dairy products. We judge that Mr. Sutherland would personally prefer reciprocity in lead to either of the other plans, and we confess to the same view. Under such an arrangement the lead market would be left in its natural condition, and this would be more desirable than a forced market, either through prohibitive duties or government intervention. The very great importance of the lead industry makes it highly desirable that something should be done to assist it. If it can be aided in any way, the value of silver-lead mining properties will at once appreciate, to the great advantage of this province and to everyone interested in them.

Sir Mackenzie Bowell does not think there is the least prospect of a general election. To our way of thinking, Sir Mackenzie is correct in his views. Nevertheless it is a good thing to be ready for any eventualities.

A SHAMELESS ACTION.

Some readers may recall an article which appeared in the Victoria Times of August 26, purporting to have been taken from the Klondike Nugget. The article was published for the express purpose of giving readers of the Times to understand what kind of a paper the Nugget is, so that they might be able to form their own conclusions as to the reliance to be placed upon it. The article was as follows:

DAWSON CITY JOURNALISM.

That readers of the Times may understand what kind of a paper it is, the Colonist quotes with so much gusto when attacking the Dominion government, we print this editorial from the Klondike Nugget of Dawson City: "We have just thawed out our ink with the idea of splashing some of it on Mr. Fawcett, the gold commissioner. We may state at the outset that Mr. Fawcett is not the whole Klondike because he is the gold commissioner. There are men around this town who could out him up. We ourselves sit in a poker game every night at Red Mike's, where the ante corresponds to a week of the gold commissioner's salary. We chew tobacco that costs \$5 a plug, and have other manly habits that Fawcett turns up his nose at."

"Now, we have no kick coming at Fawcett's rake-off, whatever that may be. We believe in letting every man play his own game, and truth compels us to state that in this God-forsaken climate we have to play the game mightily quick, or it is called on account of darkness. We speak feelingly of Arctic darkness, because we know how to get out the Nugget when the coal oil freezes. Indeed, the weather may be deemed rigorous when the boiler has to be blanketed to keep it warm."

"However, this is aside from the subject. We wish to draw the attention of the Dominion government to the gold commissioner, Fawcett. He is objectionable. He is not in rapport with the robust spirit of this community. He has too much regard for law and order—a thing unknown in a United States mining camp. He doesn't drink whiskey at Red Mike's—full oil we call it—he doesn't draw his gun without provocation; he doesn't go in for the ironed subterfuges of the dance hall; he doesn't shake dice, play furo, shoot craps; in short, Fawcett has none of the virile qualities that are needed in this progressive city."

"He is not scorable, and, more than that, his personal habits are offensive to many of us. Most of our citizens consider it healthy to change our underclothes and take a bath once a year, whether we need it or not. We ourselves have had one bath and two shaves since the summer of 1896. The rules of hygiene, as taught in the schools of the effete East, don't apply when the thermometer drops to 70 below. Most of our prominent citizens, we repeat, think that Fawcett is altogether too scrupulous about his underclothes and ablutions. He has a healthy habit of 'tubbing' every morning; he shaves three times a week, wears a boiled shirt when the weather permits, and has been known to burn \$405 worth of cordwood to heat water for a hot bath. This is too much. Fawcett is a standing affront to those hardy virtues which have made Dawson the Queen City of the North. We ask the Dominion government to remove Fawcett for his Sybaritic effeminacy."

The Nugget reproduces this article and says in regard to it: "Readers of the Nugget need not be told that the entire article is a lie manufactured out of whole cloth. It is doubly contemptible from the fact that Dawson is so far removed from direct communication with the outside world. It stamps its author as a man lost to all feeling of moral responsibility, and so deeply sunk in the mire of his own infamy as to be utterly incapable of forming an intelligent judgment between right and wrong. If it were not for Fawcett, the Nugget is confident of being able to survive all the libelous statements to which Fawcett's organs may give utterance."

We do not recall anything more contemptible than the action of the Times in thus inventing such an editorial and attributing it to the Nugget. There is no lower level to which journalism can be prostituted. Jokes are jokes, and it is a habit of newspapers to perpetrate them at each other's expense, but every paper which recognizes its responsibility contrives to let it appear somewhere that only a joke is intended. As a skit on mining camp journalism the invention of the Times would pass muster. But when it is used seriously and for a political purpose, no language of condemnation can be too severe.

It is said, we do not know on what authority, that the Hon. Joseph Martin is engaged upon an allegorical picture representing the political situation in this province as he sees it. British Columbia is to be depicted as a fair maiden in distress. Through the intervention of a mischief-making fairy, who is represented with luxuriant black whiskers, the maiden has been entrusted to the care of a well-meaning but very unsuspicious old man, whose features resemble those of the member from West Yale. Whispering into the ear of her guardian is a Machiavellian figure, whose countenance suggests a well-known newspaper man, who represents Vancouver in the legislature, and he is evidently trying to persuade the elderly guardian of the maiden that he ought to hand her over to his keeping. In the foreground is the Good Young Man, who has just arrived in the Nick of Time to save the Maiden from the Wiles of the Villain. Either modesty, or a feeling like that which led the Prophet of Korassan to wear a veil, has led the creator of this work of art only a rear view of the Good Young Man; but a Winnipeg man, who claims to have seen the picture, says he would swear to the figure of the Good Young Man anywhere.

The Nelson Miner says that the Colonist continues to complain of the royalty on Yukon gold. Our contemporary must have confounded some other paper with the Colonist. This paper has from the very first contended that a royalty should be collected. It has, however, on one or two occasions suggested that the rate might be varied so as to bear more lightly on the poorer claims.

It will surprise no one that France favors Spain in the matter of the Philippines. Nothing will make Uncle Sam stiffer in that matter than the knowledge that some other power is trying to make him buck down.

The Province says we are living in a British colony under British laws. The News-Advertiser will please take notice.

Current Comment

THANKSGIVING.

When Canada first adopted the Yankee idea of setting apart a day for thanksgiving to the Lord, the first Thursday in November was fixed. Many years ago, for the holding of the present American government came into power at Ottawa, it went a step further in Yankeeism and ordered the holding of thanksgiving day on the last Thursday in November, the date of the American thanksgiving day. But that is entirely too late for Canada. It is too near Christmas, and the weather in Canada is not generally very good in the last days of November. The general opinion seems to be that the holiday should be fixed late in October, when better weather is to be expected. Many of our contemporaries are advocating a change in the date, and the Spectator adds its say to the general clamor to fix the Canadian thanksgiving holiday according to the Canadian weather probabilities. Late in November may be all right in Florida or Louisiana, but it is all wrong north of the great lakes. —Hamilton Spectator.

LIBERAL M.P.'S PROTEST.

The position boiled down is this: If it is being "out of step with Western Liberals" to protest against the failure to meet our expectations on the tariff, then is The Tribune "out of step."

If it is "out of step with Western Liberals" to ask for economy in the administration of public affairs, then is The Tribune "out of step."

If it is "out of step with Western Liberals" to call for an investigation into official crookedness in the Yukon and to insist on a sweep in the interests of the government itself, if malfeasance is proved, then is The Tribune "out of step."

If it is "out of step with Western Liberals" to protest in the name of Liberalism against any alliance real or imaginary between the C. P. R. and the Liberal party, then is The Tribune "out of step."

If it is "out of step with Western Liberals" to insist upon knowing why the C. P. R. company handed over a hundred thousand dollars to the minister of the interior and to demand in the name of Liberalism what was the quid pro quo, then is The Tribune "out of step."

—Winnipeg Tribune.

ALLEGED HUMOR.

Teacher—In this stanza, what is meant by the line "The shades of night were falling fast?"
Bright Scholar—The people were pulling down the blinds. —Ex.

A Family Secret Out—Teacher—You don't know what he-a-t spells? What does your father do when his collar button is lost?
Johnny (slyly)—He says things.—The Jewellers Weekly.

Asserting Himself—"I may be a hard drinker," said Tapley, with dignity, "and perhaps I show faint traces of it, but I'll have you to know, sir, that I am no Cyranus de Bergerac." —Philadelphia North American.

The Boston Girl—"Were you out in all the rain?" asked the Clifton girl.
"No," said the young woman from Boston, "I was merely in the portion of the rain that descended in my immediate vicinity." —Cincinnati Enquirer.

"There is always something happening to worry me!" exclaimed the Chinese customer, a friend with whom he was travelling inco.
"What's the matter now?"
The rumper that I've here has been started again." —Washington Star.

Wit for the Orestes.—Nora—Ah, Pat, O! I am indebted to you for this lovely watch.
Pat—Sure, Nora, an' it's meself that is in debt for it; I dare enough for both av us! —The Jewellers Weekly.

Greston—So you brought suit for damages for injuries received in the smashup. Did you ever get anything?
Deerst—I never received anything for myself, but I got enough out of the company to support a lawyer in affluent circumstances for several years.—Boston Transcript.

His Sarcasm.—Farmer Grout (sourly)—Then city relatives of ours 'pear to believe my name is "Mey."
Mrs. Grout—Pshaw! What makes you get off such a foolish say'n' as that? —Lynce?

Farmer Grout—It ain't foolish—it's sarcasm! I judge they do by the way they seem to think I love company.—Harper's Bazar.

"Doctor, why is it my head aches so when I've consumed a space?"
"Because your brain is in sympathy with your stomach."
"It is! Well, it shows darned poor judgment." —Chicago Tribune.

They had been "keeping company" for eight years, and when he finally proposed and was accepted, in the ardor of his enthusiasm he exclaimed:
"Pshaw, you are worth your weight in gold!"

With almost cruel facetiousness she replied:
"That is saying a good deal, for it was an awful long wait." —Idem Dispatch.

She wrung her hands.
Doubtless some curious reader may want to know why she should do that.
"It was because she couldn't help it. They were caught in the patent clothes wringer she was trying." —Chicago Post.

"Towste has reached the pinnacle of human greatness."
"How?"
"He has shed his army uniform, only to don a football garb." —Philadelphia North American.

"Why should we not enjoy our greatness?" said the anti-expansionist. "Why should we reach into new seas for cares which will require new expenditures of energy?"

"Well," answered the mild-mannered man, "I'll admit that we're right comfortable; but I thought it might be a good idea for the nation to take a little regular exercise so as to guard against adipose tissue." —Washington Star.

"How did that girl happen to break the mirror in her room? She's not so homey."
"No, but she's from Boston. I dare say she looked in the glass and it shivered." —Philadelphia Bulletin.

"Anyhow," muttered the eloquent young candidate for congress, looking over his audience of seven persons who had turned aside from the busy walks of life to hear him expound his views upon the great questions of the day, "anyhow, this will put me on my guard against overconfidence—that's one comfort." —Chicago Tribune.

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5 pieces Roman Stripe Curtain Materials—regular, 50c.; Friday, 25c.

125 Holland Aprons (ladies' and girls')—regular, 40c. to 75c.; Friday, 25c.

45 Girls' White Muslin Pinafores—regular, 40c. to 65c.; Friday, 25c.

23 Children's Wool Gaiters—regular, 25c.; Friday, 10c.

11 Pairs Ladies' Wool Gaiters—regular, 65c.; Friday, 25c.

37 Infants' Hand Crochet Wool Jack-ets—regular, \$1 to \$2.50; Friday, 50c.

50 Pair Side Combs—regular, 15c. to 25c.; Friday, 10c.

100 Boxes Note Paper and Envelopes—Special, 10c.

36 Ladies' Mottled Felt Sailors' and Walking Hats, Gazelle, Cameo and Saratoga shapes—regular, \$1.25; Friday, 75c.

10 Ladies' Ulsters—regular, \$7.50 to \$12.50; Friday, \$2.50. This is not half the value of the cloth in them.

50 Pair Ladies' Tan and Black Oxford—regular, \$1.50; Friday, 50c.

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Dolls.—Kid-body Dolls, Dressed Dolls, China Dolls, Rubber Dolls, Dolls in great variety just received at the Victoria Book & Stationery Co. (late Jamieson's).

Don't forget the masquerade ball this evening. Thirty beautiful and costly prizes.

Basketball.—To-night at the drill hall the first game of the senior league series will be played, the contesting teams being Nos. 1 and 2 companies. Both teams are about equal, and as they have been practicing hard, a good game may be looked for. A good deal of interest is being taken in this year's league. A large attendance will no doubt be on hand to see the first game. The following team will represent No. 1 Company: Guards, B. Schwenker, backs, C. Schwenker and E. Wikor; forwards, Gamble, Fawcett, McLenn and N. O'Brien. The game will start at 8:15.

With Impressive Services.—The funeral of Leslie Dawson, the infant son of Rev. W. Leslie Clay, took place yesterday from the family residence, Birdenage walk, there being a very large attendance of sympathizing friends, while the floral offerings were both numerous and beautiful. Impressive services were conducted at the residence by Rev. A. B. Winchester, assisted by Rev. Dr. Campbell, Rev. Mr. Macrae, and Rev. D. Reid. The choir of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church attended and sang appropriate hymns. The pallbearers were Masters Douglas Hunter, John Lawson, Edgar McMicking, Charles McKilligan, Leslie Henderson and Gordon Jameson.

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Victoria's First Week's Returns
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The results already published of the first week's business at the newly established bankers' clearing house in this city give Victoria a very fair position among the cities of the Dominion as shown by the comparison with the last return of the clearings throughout Canada. Victoria takes a fifth place as the following figures prove:

Montreal	\$15,740,205
Toronto	8,880,706
Winnipeg	2,348,800
Halifax	1,243,703
Vancouver	700,553
Hamilton	605,280
St. John	557,694
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To the public though it is known in a way that the clearings give an indication of the general state of trade in a particular city, still most people have a very hazy idea of what a clearing house really is. As a matter of fact the clearing house is an arrangement among the banks to save time and for the convenience of the banking institutions. In the course of business a bank will receive during the day quite a number of checks on other banks and when there is no clearing house this necessitates a daily visit between the various banks for the purpose of balancing up the accounts between them. The larger the city and the more banks doing business in it, the more time would be taken up in straightening things out and so the clearing house was devised to meet the difficulty. For instance there are five chartered banks doing business in Victoria. Now they have arranged a clearing house and for the matter of convenience there at half past nine on Saturdays and a quarter to ten on other business days of the week. The checks are all handed over, a balance is struck and the whole thing is over in five or ten minutes at the outside. By this means each bank knows what it owes to the clearing house or what is due from it. The banks owing pay to the clearing house and the banks to whom accounts are due are paid by a check from the clearing house. The whole thing is a very simple one and eminently satisfactory.

Mr. Malpas, of the Bank of British Columbia, acts as manager of the clearing house. While as has been said the clearing house is primarily for the convenience of the banks and the figures in the clearings do not bear any exact proportion to the financial business of a city, yet it is generally conceded that a city that shows larger clearing house returns than another city is doing a larger business. Then again by comparing months or years, the clearing house returns are a sure indication of whether a city is progressing or retarding in trade. Hence they are looked upon as a very valuable index to the state of trade.

ORDER RECALLED.

H.M.S. Imperieuse Will Not Leave Port as Previously Reported.

It was reported yesterday that H.M.S. Imperieuse was not to leave on her previous arrangement but to remain in port. She is, however, to be kept in readiness to go out at a moment's notice. The tender will not be out of dock until tomorrow and nobody seems to know just what she will do. As to the clearing house, the Empresses had been taken over by the government, a well informed official said yesterday that it was not at all likely. Had it been the case, the Empress of China now at Vancouver would be Equimant ere this to receive her armament.

The polling booths for the three wards are in the Market building.

To be entirely relieved of the aches and pains rheumatism means a great deal, and Hood's Sarsaparilla does it.

Business Changes Hands.—Mr. G. C. Sauer yesterday disposed of the Bank Exchange saloon and restaurant to Mr. H. Siebenbaum, proprietor of the Palace saloon.

Another Charge.—Adolph Sleur, arrested on Tuesday evening for having in his possession a magnetic compass, the property of Mr. S. A. Roberts, has still another charge to answer. An information was yesterday sworn to charging him with stealing a brass ruler, the property of Capt. Livingstone Thomson. The hearing of both charges has been adjourned until tomorrow.

All favoring the by-law to improve the fire department should cast their votes to-day.

Voting To-Day.—The voting on the by-law to authorize the corporation to borrow \$20,000 for the improvement of the fire department, takes place to-day at the city market for all the wards. The North Ward polling booth will be in Room 11, South Ward, Room 5, and Central Ward Room 17. Mr. W. W. Northcott is the returning officer, and his deputies are: D. Sprague, North Ward; Thomas Dearberg, South Ward; and J. B. Falconer, Central Ward. The polls will be open from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Technical Education.—At the regular meeting of the Victoria Trades and Labor council last evening, the secretary was instructed to reply to the letter of Mr. St. Clair respecting technical education, stating that the council approved of the establishment of a technical school and will do all in their power to assist the undertaking. While of opinion that technical education was not equivalent to practical apprenticeship, it would be of great advantage to boys, irrespective of their future calling, might be in regard to appointing a committee to secure positions for boys, the council could not see their way clear to carrying out the suggestion. A letter was received from Vancouver, suggesting that a meeting be held for the purpose of provincial organization some time during December. The question will be discussed at the next meeting.



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MEETING OF THE LEGISLATURE

The Provincial Parliament Will be Summoned for the Fifth of January.

The Colonist has authentic information to the effect that the provincial legislature will be called together for the despatch of business on January 5. It will be seen that this is somewhat earlier than the session usually has opened of late years. The coming session will be one of the most important ever held in this province, and the constitutional questions to be fought out then bid fair to make it an exceedingly lively one.

SUGAR SHIPS CALLED FOR.

Proposed Importations From Australia Altogether Beyond Capacity of Established Line.

The agent of the Manawatu, Mr. Frank Richards, in dealing with the probable expansion of trade, when addressing the Vancouver merchants, made this reference to sugar:

"The Melbourne carried the first shipment of sugar from Australia for the season. One firm sold 6,000 tons. It will polarize at 94 or over, and the preferential duty will give an advantage of 17 shillings per ton. It is too early to be able to determine what the total surplus of Queensland will be, but it is considered from 10,000 to 15,000 tons will be shipped to British Columbia, and that the Canadian preferential duty will be worth \$50,000 directly to the sugar growers of that colony, besides the infinitely greater benefit of maintaining the price of their crop in the Australian market."

The present line of steamers cannot carry 10,000 tons during the season, and it is probable that a special steamer will be put on from the sugar ports direct for Vancouver. There is some agitation in Queensland for a line of steamers, as it is presumed that Queensland will continue to have a surplus of sugar to export.

BACK FROM OMINECA.

The Canadian Development Company's Party Return Last Evening.

Six members of a party of eight prospectors who went into the Omineca country by way of Ashcroft for the Canadian Development company, returned to the city last evening. They came out by way of Stewart lake and Quesnelle. The party were late in starting, but succeeded in reaching the headwaters of the Omineca, where they found some quartz ledges, but did not have sufficient time to prospect placer diggings. They left the headwaters of the Omineca river about the middle of September, and even as early as that the cold weather was setting in. What little grass had been left was nibbled by the goats and as a result there was no feed for the horses, a large number of which the party had with them. They lost in all 21 horses, which dropped along the route from weakness brought on by starvation. The men who reached last evening were John S. Price, John Jarvis, J. J. Carey, W. A. Harris, J. J. Stephen and W. Carlson. The other members of the party came out by way of Hazelton.

Speaking of their trip last evening, the men said the Ashcroft route was certainly the way to reach Omineca. They had a great deal of difficulty getting the pack animals through, the trails being overgrown and covered with fallen trees. In fact, they had practically to cut new trails. After reaching the water route on the way out, all was comparatively plain sailing, although all the way from the Omineca river they met with considerable snow and rain.

BANK CASHIER'S KITES.

They Kept Out of Sight a Long-Standing Deficiency of Fifty-Seven Thousand.

Hanover, Pa., Nov. 2.—A long-hidden deficiency, reaching about \$57,000, has been discovered in the accounts of the late John H. Alleman, cashier of the first National Bank of this place, who died some three weeks ago. The books have been in the hands of an expert accountant since Alleman's death, and the shortage was thus revealed. Mr. Alleman had been cashier of the bank for 28 years, and at no time was he ever suspected of wrongdoing. His defalcations were chiefly covered by means of "kiting," or the use of drafts on different out of town banks, and he thus deceived even the bank examiners.

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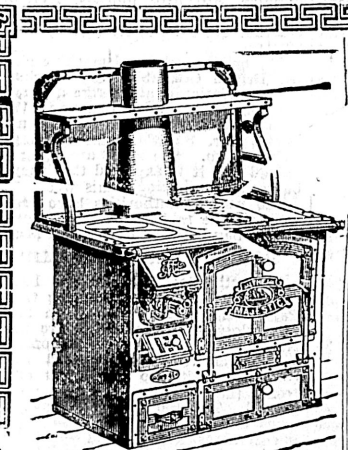


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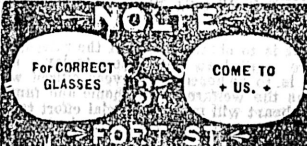
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CITIZENS' COMMITTEE.

Representative Men Chosen by the
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First Meeting.

The First Steps Taken Towards
Getting Down at Once to
Business.

Twenty-six out of the thirty-six gentlemen chosen by the public meeting last Thursday night as the nucleus of a citizens' committee, gathered in the city hall last night to get into working order for the task of trying to improve the city and bringing about better methods of civic government. The members of the committee showed a great interest in the work that is before them, and are determined not to let the grass grow under their feet, although it is recognized that it will take a great deal of determined effort and not a little time to bring about the desirable ends which they have been set to accomplish.

The mayor was chosen permanent chairman, and the secretary's position was filled pro tem. by Mr. G. H. Barnard, as from the preliminary discussion that took place it was seen that as yet there is some uncertainty as to whether it would not be better to appoint a paid secretary, who would be able to devote a good deal of his time towards gathering information and giving more attention to the work than it would be right to demand of an honorary secretary.

Nothing, however, was settled upon in that respect, some of those present favoring a paid secretary, while others thought that with the work divided up among the members of the committee, a paid secretary was not necessary. Then came balloting for the 14 names necessary to bring the general committee up to 50. The choice fell upon Messrs. R. Hall, A. E. McPhillips, A. J. Dallain, H. D. Helmeke, Q. C. H. A. Munn, A. B. Fraser, W. H. Langley, Ald. Williams, John Brydon, W. H. Bone, George E. Powell, R. L. Drury, H. M. Graham and N. Shakespeare.

The mayor suggested that sub-committees should be struck to report on the various subjects which were dealt with in the main resolution passed at the public meeting last Thursday. In connection with this, too, he referred to the section on local improvement, and said that, instead of having a separate loan for each particular instance, it would be better to draw up a scheme for improving a number of streets and borrow the money in a lump sum, debentures then being issued as each portion was carried out.

This, however, was not discussed, as it was considered that the sub-committees should deal with the whole question of details.

Mr. Renouf made a suggestion that the committee give public notice of all their meetings, so that all citizens who had any information to give could attend. This idea was generally approved by the committee. Various suggestions were made as to what particular subjects should be given to each sub-committee, but finally, on motion of Mr. McPhillips, it was decided by a sub-committee consisting of Lieut-Col. Prior, A. G. McCandless, Ald. McGregor, A. C. Flumerfelt, the Mayor and C. E. Renouf should be appointed to select permanent sub-committees and the subjects to be dealt with by each of these sub-committees, and to report at a meeting of the general committee. Friday was fixed upon as the evening on which the general committee will meet to receive the report.

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CHURCH OPENING.

New Presbyterian Place of Worship
Opened at Sooke on Sunday.

The First Presbyterian church at Sooke was opened on Sunday last in the presence of a large congregation. Revs. D. McKee and J. C. Foster conducted the opening services; the latter most appropriately read as the morning lesson the account of the Dedication of the Temple, while Rev. Mr. McKee preached an eloquent and practical sermon impressing on his hearers the necessity of living a pure and consistent Christian life, their bodies being the temple of God. He trusted that the erection of the new church might be the means of drawing the people closer together in the bonds of Christian unity and that the new church might ever be found within its walls. After the sermon the reverend gentleman announced that at the request of the trustees he would formally name the building Knox church.

Mr. Lyman A. Thomson, late missionary to the district, presided at the evening, giving a brief but interesting farewell address, followed by a short statement of the affairs of the congregation. He thanked the people warmly for the help and encouragement he had received in his work while at the same time pointing out to them a few of their failings. He commended his successor, Mr. J. Burkholder to the people and spoke for him the same kindly consideration and assistance that he had experienced since coming among them.

Collections in behalf of the building fund of the church were taken at both services amounting in all to \$20.

Mr. Thomson leaves the field to further prosecute his studies at college followed by the best wishes of the people of Sooke.

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CIVIC REFORM SCHEME.

St. Louis Man Proposes to Hang the
Worst Man in Each Ward.

Mr. David J. Smythe, a resident of St. Louis, locally famous as a reformer, proposes that on each 1st of January, beginning with the approaching New Year's day, the citizens should hang the worst man in each ward, as a means of purifying the city. In order that there may be no mistakes made he proposes that the citizens of each ward decide by vote just who the worst citizen is. The man receiving the highest number of votes shall then be hanged at noon, January 1, by a hangman appointed by the Mayor. Candidates for the noose will be those of moral and personal wickedness and not only the men but the women should be entitled to vote. Smythe is perfectly honest and serious in his proposition and says that it would unquestionably result in purifying the social conditions of the city quicker than any other known means. He advances the argument that there are many wicked men in every ward and that the ward would be much better off if they were dead, but that it would be impracticable to hang them all. He believes that one would be an example, a martyr to the cause of social purity, and that the natural result would be that other wicked men of the ward would at once realize that another New Year's day was approaching and that unless they reformed they might the largest vote at the polls.

BRITISH COLUMBIA.

Teller's Loss at Vancouver—Economy in Nelson Jail—The
Cariboo Railway.

VANCOUVER.

Assistant Manager Rintoul, of the Bank of Montreal, says regarding the reported loss: "It is true that a certain sum is missing, but the amount has been very much overstated. The money was in sovereigns. There is nothing of exception in this, as it is in the fact that just as a case of a teller's being short. He may have overpaid someone and will simply have to make the amount good himself. He is able to do this as the amount missing is not large and that is all there is in the story."

The customs returns for Vancouver for October, are as follows: Imports, dutiable, \$162,916; imports, free, \$32,402; total, \$195,318. Duty collected, \$52,726; other revenue, \$4,466; exports, \$235,642.

The boiler works and machine shop of the British Columbia Iron Works is in operation again before a very few days are past. James Shaw and W. W. Gabriel have come over to open up the works. Mr. Shaw's father having acquired them. The shops are being overhauled and it is expected that they will be ready for business this week.

The postal authorities have received word of the robbery of the contents of a mail bag between Fernie and McLeod.

PARIS BELLE SETTLEMENT.

An authoritative report has been received at Rosland announcing that the Paris Belle litigation has been brought to a close, and that deeds are now in New York to be signed by the officers of the Nelson & Fort Sheppard railway conveying title to purchasers of land from the railway company on this ground. The Paris Belle company now owns its entire property, comprising 41 acres, a portion of which lies in the very heart of the residential portion of Rosland. During the progress of the trial, which, previous to its settlement, was on the way to the privy council of England, this land had been squatted upon, and in their turn the squatters had been ordered to return and hold on. Others had been ordered to purchase, but could of course obtain no valid deed. Now all this is over, purchasers will obtain title and the lots in this vicinity will doubtless become ready sellers when the Paris Belle owners are ready to do business.

NEW WESTMINSTER.

The bark Gartmore, of Glasgow, Capt. Corrance, has arrived at Westminster from Vancouver, where she was loading lumber from the Hastings saw mills, at the time of the fire. On completing her cargo of lumber from the Royal City mills she will leave for Iquiqui, Chile.

The following are the customs returns for the port of New Westminster for the month ending October 31, 1898: Imports, dutiable, \$76,115; imports, free, \$5,761; total, \$81,876. Duty collected, \$20,604; other revenues collected, \$73; exports: the mine, \$55; the fisheries, \$1,012,390; the forest, \$450; agricultural products, \$12,253; manufactures, \$611; total, \$1,025,759.

The fall assizes are in progress before Chief Justice McGill, Attorney-General Martin appearing for the Crown.

Admiral Palliser has written to the city council respecting the requested survey of the Fraser river, conveying the regrets of the Admiralty that, in the interest of Her Majesty's service, they cannot take part in the program of survey, which has been drawn up for the survey ship Egeria.

It is rumored that the C.P.R. is negotiating for the construction of a dry dock at New Westminster, because it has certain advantages over other places on account of fresh water.

NELSON.

It is reported that the Pilot Bay smelter will resume operations as soon as the coke supply from the Crow's Nest Pass is available.

Mr. John R. McLaren, second gaoler in the provincial jail at Nelson, has resigned. With his retirement the gaol staff will be Warden Fitzstubb and Gaoler Partridge. At the present time there are 25 prisoners.

ASHROFT.

The total cost of the fire apparatus purchased by the city committee will be about \$982.50. This includes 750 feet Maltese cross carbide rubber fire hose, 2 1/2 four-ply, coupled complete, at \$1.05 per foot, \$787.50; one hose reel, \$100; 2 brass nozzles, \$10 each, \$20; 1 rubber nozzle, \$16; spanners, \$9; freight (about) \$8.

Mr. Charles Eardine, secretary of the New Bessie Syndicate, Ltd., 27 Clements Lane, London, E.C., writes to the Ashcroft Mining Review as follows: "May I point out that in your issue of the 14th ultimo, your correspondent on the Cariboo railway matters to be somewhat at fault in attributing as he does, the ownership of the Cariboo railway charter to the Omineca-Cariboo Navigation Co. This charter has been acquired by the New Bessie Syndicate, Ltd., for the purpose of amalgamating with the Cariboo and Omineca Navigation Co., which latter charter was obtained on the representation of the New Bessie Syndicate, Ltd., from the British Columbia government, and was proclaimed in the B. C. Gazette of September 1. Carrying with it, as it does, the right of establishing steamer and other communication from Quesnelle to North Tla Lake, the motive of amalgamation of the Cariboo railway with this charter is apparent."

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

THE THEATRE.

Sir:—I see by a letter and also by advertisement that Manager Jamieson, of the Victoria theatre, has practically put the boycott on our amateur entertainments for the winter. Now, sir, I think it is time Victoria had an opposition opera house, when the management of the Victoria discriminates against our local companies, who keep the money in the city, in favor of those travelling companies, who take it all out of town. Now, Mr. Editor, I would suggest that we put on our plays in the A. O. U. W. hall (in lieu of a better place) on the nights that the Victoria has an important foreign attraction on, which may even up things a little. I think the public will stand by us locally.

AMATEUR.

FLAGS FOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

Sir:—Noticing in one of the Kootenay papers about supplying the public schools in that city with a British flag, I think that the school board of the city of Victoria should second and adopt that measure and supply all our public schools, at least our principal ones, with one of these flags. This matter, when taken into consideration, would not require much expense. It would delight the pupils and give the school a better appearance and why shouldn't our young people be taught to love and respect the flag which flies over their native land? More should be said on this subject.

BRITISHER.

FIRE PROTECTION BY-LAW.

Sir:—Having been appointed by his worship the Mayor, at the beginning of the year, as one of the fire wardens of our city I immediately began investigating into the condition of our fire department, which, in my humble opinion, was lacking in efficiency in the following respects: 1st. Not sufficient apparatus, there being only one steam engine, chemical, and one hook and ladder truck in the central department, in addition to the old Deluge engine, lying unequipped and out of repair in the city market. 2nd. Both fire halls being located so close together as to render them incapable of affording adequate protection to any but central points, leaving the entire eastern portion of the city beyond Cook street without protection, it being unwise, in the judgment of the chief of the department, to take the only available engine beyond that point, thereby leaving the business portion of the city without protection, consequently fires occurring in the neighborhood of Spring Ridge Oak Bay, Rockland avenue or any of the eastern portion of the city have almost invariably resulted in a total loss of property; and as every ratepayer contributes towards the maintenance of the fire department he is justly entitled to fire protection. In consequence of this state of affairs the fire wardens recommended the Mayor and council to dispose of the Yates street fire hall, the proceeds to be used in the erection and equipping of a fire hall in the vicinity of the junction of Fort and Yates streets. The council having decided to adopt this course, and a purchaser having come forward, on attempting to make the transfer it was discovered that the city had no title to the property, it being vested in the trustees of the old volunteer fire brigade. The city solicitor was therefore instructed to interview the trustees with the object of getting them to convey the property to the city, which they were unwilling to do without legal advice. The matter was then brought before Mr. Justice Drake, who decided that the trustees should convey the property to the city; this, however, they still refused to do, and have appealed the case, and thus the matter stands. I mention these facts to show the public that the fire wardens have endeavored to improve the department by putting it on a more modern basis. But, like most matters, the council attempt to put in order, they find themselves blocked by one or more of our back numbers or something else.

Immediately after the New Westminster conflagration I moved that Chief Deasy be instructed to report to the council as to the state of efficiency of our own fire department, which report was prepared and published in both papers, with the result that a largely signed petition from the ratepayers was presented to the council requesting that a by-law be introduced to obtain a sufficient amount to thoroughly equip the city with fire fighting apparatus. The Mayor, chief and fire wardens then drew up an estimate of the amount necessary, which is as follows:

One new engine.....	\$ 6,000
One new chemical engine.....	4,000
Lot and fire hall (East End).....	500
Two teams and harness.....	900
One thousand feet hose.....	1,000
Twenty hydrants.....	1,000
Ten alarm boxes.....	500
Wharf at foot Yates street.....	1,000
Furniture and gongs.....	500
Fire hall (Victoria West).....	1,000
Total.....	\$20,200

It is to obtain this that the ratepayers are called to vote upon today, and it is to be hoped that every citizen who has the welfare of his home and family at heart will make a special effort to record his vote in favor of the by-law, devoting a part of his noon hour to that purpose, if no other time is obtainable, and I sincerely trust that ratepayers, who are desirous of seeing our city keep pace with modern progress will not allow themselves to be influenced or misled by the mossback and chronic tax growler of which our city possesses more than her share. For the benefit and information of the average householder who has not figured it out for himself, I may state that to the man having property assessed at say \$2,000, the annual amount required from such for sinking fund and interest to meet the loan would amount to the paltry sum of less than thirty cents (30c.) per annum, and to the laboring man paying taxes on his \$1,000 home, which perhaps may represent the savings of a life of hard, honest toil, less than 15c. per annum. Laboring men, mechanics and citizens generally, especially those owning houses outside of the central portion of the city, have no protection whatever, notwithstanding that they are annually paying their share towards the maintenance of this poorly equipped department, for I cannot call it anything else. They get no protection and have no high insurance rates. We never get lower rates unless we equip our city with sufficient fire fighting apparatus, the same as other cities do. So come to the polls to-day and cast your vote for the by-law. Remember, the more protection the lower will be the insurance rates. A word to the wise is sufficient.

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But it is with cattle more than any other animal kept on the farm that this question takes on the greatest significance. A cow will drink more water than any other animal kept on the farm, and more frequently than any of the others does not get all she wants, and because of this fact her profit to her owner is very often small. When it should be if she had got all the water she required. For example, a cow in milk, if she is not able to get a sufficient supply of water, will shrink in her flow of milk and cause a direct loss to her owner. This applies in winter as well as in summer, but more frequently in the latter, when the pastures are dry and the weather is hot. In winter, however, it is often the practice on many dairy farms to turn the cows out to water only once a day, and then expect them to drink enough water to do till the next day. This is a very bad practice, and one good dose of water a day if she is fed largely on ensilage or other succulent foods, and even then she will do better if she can drink oftener and take a little less at a time. But if a cow is kept in a stable on dry feed it is sure to be thirsty, and will require a sufficient amount to last her all day when let out in the morning while the stables are being cleaned out. She should have water before her manger so that she can take it whenever she wishes, and if this cannot be arranged she should get it at least twice or three times a day. If dairymen only knew how this question of water affects their pockets it would be given more attention by them.

An English authority gives somewhere in the vicinity of 20 gallons as the amount of water a cow in milk requires. It is known, however, that some cows will drink considerably over 20 gallons per day if they have free access to it and the weather is warm. Dry cows and young cattle require, as a rule, about one-half the quantity required by cows in milk, but this will vary according to age. A few years ago Mr. Geo. Rice, of the firm of A. & G. Rice, Curries, made a few tests of the cows in his herd as to the amount of water they would drink. He found that, while a heifer not in milk, drank only two or three pails daily, his cows drank as high as ten pails daily; two cows fresh in milk drank from eight to ten pails daily, while others, longer in milk, and consequently not giving so much, only drank from four to six pails daily. He found also that one heifer, when dry in August, only drank two or three pails daily, but after she had calved in December, required from six to eight pails daily.—Farming.

RHEUMATISM AND LYING.

A Physician Finds a Connection Between the Two.

Washington Star.
"Rheumatism makes more liars than any other disease," said a physician, "though the people most affected by it are unconsciously affected as far as the lying is concerned. Ordinarily an attack of rheumatism, coming and going, lasts about three weeks. The second week is the worst as the worst as far as pain is concerned. The first week the sufferer devotes his or her own cures. Failing to cure the attack and the consequent pain, the second week he takes up with trying the various remedies suggested by friends and acquaintances. At the third week enters the sufferer in the meantime having about made up his or her mind to give up the hope of trying to cure it, the patient is ready to try as many things and remedies as come along and generally does so. It matters not how nonsensical they are."
"One says wear a pewter ring on the second week. It is told that twenty-one baths or twenty-one days of drinking the water is necessary. Here comes in the third week again, and I suppose the necessary. It is at best a troublesome complaint, and it rarely yields until it has run its course, to return on the slightest provocation."

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FOR READY REFERENCE.

Steamer and Railway Time Tables, Fire Alarm and Letter Boxes, Etc.

For convenient reference the following information in regard to the time tables of steamers and trains and on postal and other matters relating to the city will be found useful. The information is given as concisely as possible for the benefit of the busy public.

VICTORIA-VANCOUVER ROUTE.
Steamer Islander leaves O.P.N. wharf daily (except Monday) at 1 a.m. for Vancouver, and arrives at Victoria at 7 p.m. daily (except Monday).

VICTORIA-WESTMINSTER ROUTE.
Steamer Princess Louise leaves O.P.N. wharf, Victoria, for Westminster and Fraser river points on Sunday at 11 p.m. and on Wednesday and Friday at 7 a.m.; arrives at Victoria on Monday at 9 p.m. and on Thursday and Saturday at 3 p.m.

FOR PUGET SOUND.
Steamer City of Kingston leaves Victoria for Seattle from O.P.N. wharf daily (except Sunday) at 8 a.m. and arrives daily (except Sunday) at 6 a.m.

FOR PORT ANGELES.
Steamer Garland leaves Turner, Beeton & Co.'s wharf on Monday and Wednesday & Co.'s wharf on Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 5 p.m., and arrives at Victoria on Saturday and Wednesday at 3 p.m.

VICTORIA-GOMOX ROUTE.
Steamer City of Nanaimo leaves the B. & N. wharf on Tuesday at 7 a.m. for Gomox, connecting at Nanaimo on Wednesday morning with the train from Victoria. She arrives at Victoria on Saturday at 4 p.m.

NORTHERN B. C. ROUTE.
Steamer Danube leaves O.P.N. wharf, Victoria, for all Northern British Columbia ports and Skagway, Wrangell and Juneau on the 1st and 15th of each month at 8 p.m.

Steamer Queen City leaves O.P.N. wharf on same route on the 5th and 22nd of each month at 8 p.m.

Steamer Cutch leaves Porter's wharf, Victoria, for Port Simpson and way ports on the 4th and 18th of each month.

WEST COAST VANCOUVER ISLAND.
Steamer Willapa leaves O.P.N. wharf for Abouset, Alberni and way ports at 8 p.m. on October 7th and 14th; and for Alberni, Cape Scott and way ports at 8 p.m. on October 20th.

RAILWAY TIME TABLE.
For Nanaimo, Wellington and intermediate points, trains leave B. & N. wharf, Victoria, daily at 9 a.m., and arrive at Victoria at 12:07 p.m. An additional train leaves Victoria Saturdays and Sundays at 4 p.m., and arrives at Victoria at 8 p.m.

For Port Simpson and way ports, trains leave Victoria daily at 9 a.m., and arrive at Victoria at 8 a.m. and 4 p.m., and arrive at Victoria at 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. On Saturdays and Sundays trains leave at 7 a.m. and 2 p.m., and arrive at 9:08 a.m. and 6:08 p.m.

PUBLIC OFFICE HOURS.
City Hall.—The offices of the various departments at the city hall are open to the public daily from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., and on Saturday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Public Library.—The hours at the public library at the city hall are 11 a.m. to 12 m., 2 p.m. to 5 p.m., and 6 p.m. to 9 p.m.; Saturdays, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., 6 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Provincial Departments.—Office hours for the public at the departments in the parliament buildings are from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and from 1:30 p.m. to 4 p.m., except Saturdays, when they close at 1 p.m.

Court House.—Registrar's office is open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., except Saturdays, when it closes at 1 p.m.

The Land Registry office opens at 9:30 a.m., the closing hour being 4 p.m., except on Saturdays, when it is 1 p.m.

Federal Offices.—The customs house and postal package office are open to the public from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., except Saturdays, when the closing hour is 1 p.m.

SAN FRANCISCO FLEET.
Steamer. Due. Sails.
Umatilla Nov. 4 Nov. 10
Queen Nov. 9 Nov. 15
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CANADIAN-AUSTRIAN LINE.
Steamer. Due. Sails.
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Mlowers Dec. 3 Dec. 15

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA LINE.
Steamer. Due from Orient.
Rijoun Maru Dec. 2
Kinshu Maru Dec. 4
Yamaguchi Maru Dec. 30
(Calling inward only.)

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Steamer. Due. Sails.
Empress of India Dec. 14
Empress of Japan Nov. 7
Empress of China Nov. 10

COLUMBIAN PACIFIC ASIATIC LINE.
Steamer. Due. Sails.
Tacoma Jan. 7 Jan. 18
Victoria Dec. 31 Jan. 10
Olympia Nov. 19 Nov. 27
Glenogle Nov. 28 Dec. 4

ALASKAN LINERS.
Steamer. Due. Sails.
Amur Nov. 4 Nov. 10
City of Seattle Nov. 6
Rosalia Nov. 6 Nov. 10
Dirigo Nov. 12 Nov. 18
Danube Nov. 1 Nov. 8
Queen City Nov. 12 Nov. 18
Al-Ki Nov. 3 Nov. 10
City of Topeka Nov. 7 Nov. 11
Eden Nov. 11 Nov. 18
Horsa laid up.

MERCHANTMAN.
At Victoria.
British ship Riverside, 1,590 tons; Capt. McCully; general cargo for Victoria and Vancouver.
Bark Harvester, 1,378 tons; here for repairs.
British ship Coltie Race, 1,783 tons; chartered by Robt. Ward & Co. to load salmon for the United Kingdom.
Peruvian bark Japan, 304 tons; Capt. Gonzales; under charter to load at Moodyville for Pisco.
Barkentine Splinaway, 325 tons; Capt. Johnson; loading for Geraldton.
American ship James Westcott, 1,633 tons; Capt. McLeod; loading for San Francisco.
Latest Charters.
Harry Morse, American bark, 1,241 tons; chartered to load at Departure Bay for Honolulu.

At Moodyville.
American bark Seminoe, 1,322 tons; Capt. Taylor; loading for Adelaide.
Ewell, Alk. bark, loading for Adelaide.
Hindostan, Chl. sh., loading for South America.
American bark Carrollton, Capt. Jones; 1,390 tons.
At Chemalmus.
American bark Rufus E. Woods, 1,332 tons; Capt. McLeod; loading for Sydney.
American bark, Colusa, loading for Sydney.
American barkentine, Robt. Seale, loading for St. Louis.

At Hastings.
American ship Kennebec, 2,127 tons; Capt. Lewis; loading for South Africa.
Challan bark, Ellis, Capt. Harkn; loading for China.
American schooner John D. Tallent; loading for Australia.
British bark Gartmore, 1,025 tons; Capt. Carrance; loading for Iquique.

At Departure Bay.
Bark Wilma, Capt. Slater; loading for San Francisco.

Ship America, 1,000 tons; Capt. Harding; loading for San Francisco.
Bark Big Bonanza, 1,300 tons; loading.
Bark Hayden Brown, 822 tons; Capt. Weddon.
On the Fraser.
German ship Atalanta, Capt. Dunner, 1,057 tons; loading for Liverpool, on account of Turner, Beeton & Co.

For British Columbia.
Flery Cross, Br. bk., 1,300 tons; from Cardiff with coal.
Drumbrunton, Br. ship, 1,773 tons; Capt. Spurring; from London, with general cargo.
McLross, American bark, Capt. Peterson; from Santa Rosalia, via San Francisco.
J. B. Brown, 1,407 tons, Capt. Maguire, under charter to load lumber for Sydney; en route from Honolulu.
John Smith, (bk), 526 tons, Capt. Groth, chartered to load for Capetown, en route from Taku.
Helen Denny, British bark, 728 tons, Capt. Smith, chartered to load lumber for Melbourne, now en route from Newcastle via Honolulu.
John A. Briggs, 1,900 tons, Capt. Balch, chartered to load lumber for Capetown coming from Sydney via Honolulu.

FIRE ALARM BOXES.
To ring in an alarm break the glass covering the key, open the door and pull down the hook on the inner door once and let it go; remain at the box to direct the firemen.
All the fire bells are connected with telephone 638.
2—Birdcage Walk and Superior street, James Bay.
4—Cart and Simcoe streets, James Bay.
5—Michigan and Menzies street, James Bay.
6—Menzies and Niagara streets, James Bay.
7—Montreal and Kingston streets, James Bay.
8—Montreal and Simcoe streets, James Bay.
9—Dallas road and Simcoe street, James Bay.
14—Vancouver and Burdette avenue, Douglas and Humboldt streets.
16—Humboldt and Port streets.
23—Fort and Government streets.
24—Yates and Wharf streets.
25—Johnson and Government streets.
26—Douglas st. between Fort and View.
27—No. 1 Fire Hall, Pandora street.
31—View and Blanchard streets.
32—Fort and Quadra streets.
34—Yates and Cook streets.
35—Yates and Fernwood streets.
36—Junction Oak Bay and Cadboro roads.
37—Cadboro and Richmond roads.
41—Quadra and Pandora streets.
42—Chatham and Blanchard streets.
43—Caledonia and Cook streets.
45—Spring Ridge.
51—Douglas and Discovery streets.
52—Government and Paces streets.
53—Kings road and Second streets.
54—Fountain, Douglas street and Hillside avenue.
55—Oaklands Fire Hall.
61—Cormorant and Store streets.
62—Discovery and Store streets.
63—John and Bridge streets.
64—Catherine street, Victoria West.
65—Springfield ave. and Esquimalt road.
71—Douglas street and Burnside road.

POSTAL INFORMATION.
The post office general delivery is open daily from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. (except Sundays); registry wicket from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m.; money order and savings bank from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Street letter boxes are placed throughout the city as follows:
Cor. Store and Discovery streets.
Jct. Government and Douglas streets.
Cor. Quadra and Pandora avenue.
Cor. Quadra and Pioneer streets.
Cor. Carr and Niagara streets.
Cor. Vancouver and Richmond streets.
Cor. Fernwood road and Yates street.
Cor. Cook and Fort streets.
Cor. Menzies and Quebec streets.
Cor. Montreal and Quebec streets.
Cor. Macleure and Collinson street.
Cor. Vancouver and Richmond streets.
Cor. Caledonia ave. and Chambers street.
Cor. Kings road and Second street.
Cor. Bridge and John streets.
Cor. St. Lawrence and Simcoe streets.
Cor. Oak and Cadboro Bay roads.
Deiand Hotel.
The public are cautioned against posting anything but letters in the street letter boxes, as the forcing of newspapers, etc., prevents letters from being safely deposited in the box. Collections are made from letter boxes at 11 a.m. and 8 p.m. in time for despatch by the principal mails. Letters with valuable contents must not be posted in letter boxes, but should be taken to post office, and receipt obtained therefor.
On Sunday there is only one collection from the boxes, at 9 p.m.
There is a general delivery throughout the city twice daily, commencing at 8 a.m. and 3 p.m.

SHOULD WIVES WORK.
A recent issue of the Times of Swaziland contains a practical and interesting contribution to the discussion of the great question, "Should Wives Work?" The natives of Swaziland are now saddled with a hut tax, and a venerable chief named Mamisa was interviewed on the subject of this impost. He explained that the men would have "to get more wives" to pay it. "We will make the women work," he said. He is himself an old gentleman of 80, but he announced that it was his intention to purchase and marry at once a girl from an adjoining kraal, who would make his seventh wife, and who could be relied upon to raise annually sufficient mabele and mealies to brew sufficient beer to enable him "to pass through the tax trouble without further worry." It would seem from this that the blessings of civilization which our rule bestows upon Swaziland have to be paid for by the promoting of polygamy and the slavery of the victims.

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